

## 1 HOUSE BILL NO. 155

2 INTRODUCED BY D. BARRETT

3 BY REQUEST OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT DISCLOSURES OR CERTAIN CONFLICTS OF  
6 INTEREST MUST BE MADE TO THE COMMISSIONER OF POLITICAL PRACTICES RATHER THAN THE  
7 SECRETARY OF STATE; AND AMENDING SECTION 2-2-131, MCA."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 **Section 1.** Section 2-2-131, MCA, is amended to read:

12 **"2-2-131. Disclosure.** A public officer or public employee shall, prior to acting in a manner that may  
13 impinge on public duty, including the award of a permit, contract, or license, disclose the nature of the private  
14 interest that creates the conflict. The public officer or public employee shall make the disclosure in writing to the  
15 ~~secretary of state~~ commissioner of political practices, listing the amount of private interest, if any, the purpose  
16 and duration of the person's services rendered, if any, and the compensation received for the services or other  
17 information that is necessary to describe the interest. If the public officer or public employee then performs the  
18 official act involved, the officer or employee shall state for the record the fact and summary nature of the interest  
19 disclosed at the time of performing the act."

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